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APPROACH TO YURIJ BY MARCEL GAUTIER ("KURD"):
BOTH ACQUAINTED WITH "ZHUK"
(1944)

From: MEXICO CITY

To: MOSCOW

No.: 524

22nd June 1944

To VIKTOR[i].

Marcel GAUTIER[i] - in future "KURD" - has been sent here as Commercial Counsellor with the French Mission[MISSIYA]. He introduced himself as a close friend of "ZhUK"[iii] with whom I worked in TURKEY. KURD said that during the last few years he had worked as Director of the Su[reté Générale][iv]

[15 groups unrecoverable]

ZhUK having arrived in ALGIERS

[45 groups unrecovered]

in order. In ALGIERS

[13 groups unrecovered].

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In [2 groups unrecovered] from ANKARA [2 groups unrecovered] with the Turkish immigration

[11 groups unrecovered]

[B% de GAULLE] a possible consequence of his acquaintance with Zh.[iii] while in TURKEY. KURD is an ardent supporter of de GAULLE and has undoubtedly been sent here not for commercial but for intelligence work. On the way from SYRIA to MEXICO he spent four months in ALGIERS where [C% ZhUK] [5 groups unrecovered] apparently KURD at the Consul-General's was unofficially giving information about other workers

[16 groups unrecovered]

[C% ZhUK stated that]

[14 groups unrecovered]

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Footnotes: [i] VIKTOR:

Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.

[ii] Marcel GAUTIER:

Sent to MEXICO in April 1944 as Commercial Counsellor to the French Delegation. Director of the Sûreté Générale in SYRIA and LEBANON 1941-3; previously served in TURKEY.

[iii] ZhUK/Zh.:

i.e. "BEETLE"; unidentified covername. Also occurs in MOSCOW's No. 634 of 5th November 1944 (3/NBF/T1135) and MEXICO CITY's No. 812 of 7th November 1944 (3/NBF/T1136).

[iv] Inserted by the translator.

[v] YuRIJ:

Lev. A. TARASOV, First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy in MEXICO; was Second Secretary in ANKARA in 1942.

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